

DRAFT - Policy Statement (Proposed for basis of discussion)

Smoking -- An Adult Custom

→ ~~The Tobacco Institute, Inc.,~~ considers the use of tobacco, including smoking, a custom for those adults who derive pleasure and relaxation from it. *It regards the decision as one* Whether to smoke or not ~~is~~ a decision for individuals who have reached the age of mature judgment. *See below*

Smoking is a habit, not a disease.
~~We~~ believe that it is the responsibility of ~~all~~ *each* segments of the tobacco industry ~~to conform to laws and regulations regarding the sale and use of tobacco.~~ *must discharge its responsibility.* It is primarily a parental responsibility to see that children receive training in observing regulations and customs relating to all aspects of their behavior, including attitudes toward smoking.

The Tobacco Institute, Inc., believes that tobacco products are not, and should not be, promoted for use by children. *See T*

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* *We believe that the laws & regs regarding the sale of tobacco products to minors should be observed.*

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